

REMARKS

Claims 50, 53-72, 75-76, 79-98, 100, 102, 105-124 and 127 are pending in this application after entry of this amendment.

Claim 53 has been amended to depend from claim 50 as suggested by the Examiner.


We appreciate the indication that Claims 50, 53-72 and 75 are allowed and that certain claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 76 has been amended to include the limitations of claims 77 and 78. Claim 86 has been amended to become an independent claim. Claim 98 has been amended to include the limitations of claims 99 and 101. Claim 102 has been amended to include the limitations of claims 103 and 104. Claim 124 has been amended to include the limitations of claims 125 and 126. Claims 77, 78, 99, 101, 103, 104, 125, 126 have therefore been cancelled. As a result of the claim amendments, all the pending claims are believed to be allowable.

Applicants retain the right to file a continuation application directed to the subject matter no longer in the pending claims as a result of the above claim amendments.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks contained herein, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance and an indication of their allowance is requested. However, if the Examiner is aware of any additional matters that should be discussed, a call to the undersigned attorney at: (415) 318-1162 would be appreciated.

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